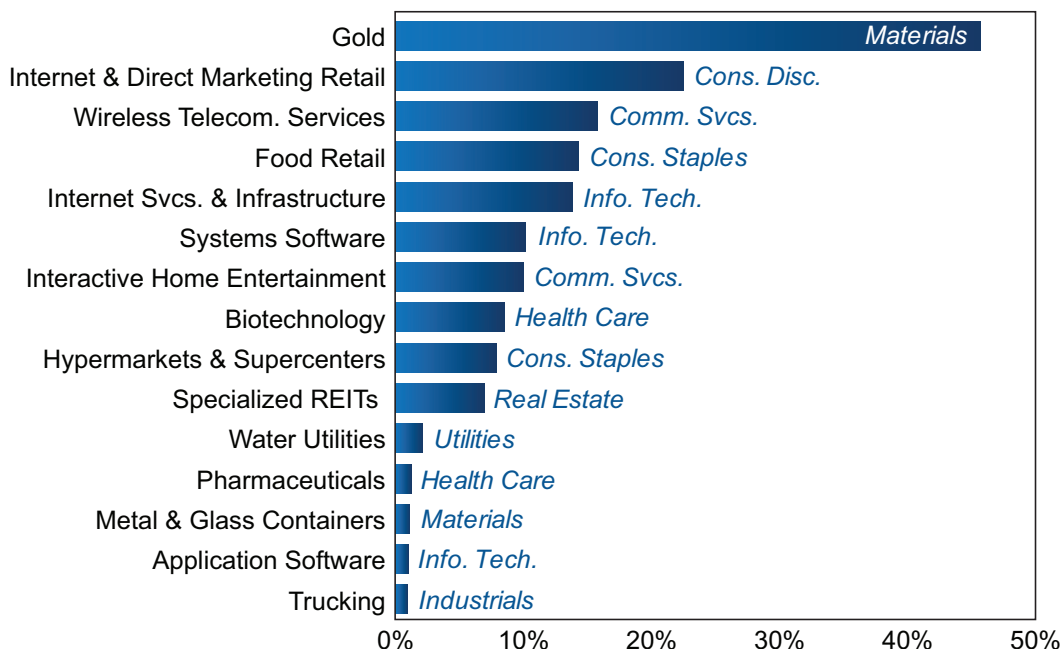


Top-Performing S&P 500 Index Subsectors In 2020

Top 15 S&P 500 Index Subsector Total Returns (12/31/19-4/24/20)



Source: Bloomberg. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

View from the Observation Deck

1. Today's blog post is for those investors who want to drill down below the sector level to see what is performing well in the stock market.
2. The S&P 500 Index is currently comprised of 11 sectors and 128 subsectors, according to S&P Dow Jones Indices.
3. Of the 15 subsectors featured in the chart, five are classified as either Communication Services or Information Technology. All 15 of them posted positive total returns.
4. As of 4/27/19, the most heavily weighted sector in the S&P 500 Index was Information Technology at 25.43%, followed by Health Care at 15.83%, according to Bloomberg. Communication Services ranked third at 10.64%.
5. The 15 top-performing subsectors in the chart posted total returns ranging from 0.86% (Trucking) to 45.65% (Gold).
6. With respect to the 11 sectors, none were in positive territory as of 4/24/20.
7. From 12/31/19-4/24/20, the top-performing S&P 500 sector indices were Health Care and Information Technology, down 1.08% and 2.90%, respectively, on a total return basis, according to Bloomberg. Communication Services was down 8.81%. The S&P 500 Index posted a total return of -11.66% for the period.
8. There are a growing number of packaged products, such as exchange-traded funds, that feature S&P 500 subsectors.

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